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**AMENDMENT IN REPLY TO MAY 2, 2002 OFFICE ACTION
AND PETITION FOR A ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed May 2, 2002. A response was originally due August 2, 2002 and applicant hereby requests a one-month extension of time to September 2, 2002. Authorization is hereby give for the deduction of the fee of \$55.00 from Deposit Account No. 08-0219 for the one-month extension of time. Additionally, please charge any additional fees which may be due, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-0219, but not to include any payment of issue fees. Thus, a reply to the Office Action is now due September 2, 2002. Since September 2, 2002 is a Federal Holiday, *i.e.*, Labor

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